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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Women and Work. Can a woman toil as many hours a day, and endure it, as a man? Has she the physical ability to give herself to service, day after day, as many hours as her brother of the stronger sex? This question has been asked more than once in these later years, during which she has been offering her service, in competition in many branches of toil, with men, and legislatures have hesitated and doubted. But the Supreme Court of the United States has spoken in a most dignified and comprehensive manner and we believe has spoken most wisely and truly. A case went up from Oregon, on appeal from a law in that State which "forbids the employment of women in factories, mechanical establishments, and laundries for more than ten hours in any one day." The constitutionality of this law was attacked as infringing the right of contract guaranteed by the fourteenth amendment of the Federal constitution. The Oregon court upheld the law and now the Supreme court of the land upholds the Oregon court in these words:

"Differentiated by these matters from the other sex, she is probably placed in a class by herself, and legislation designated for her protection may be sustained, even when like legislation is not necessary for men, and could not be sustained. It is impossible to close one's eyes to the fact that she still looks to her brother and depends upon him. Even though all restrictions on political, personal, and contractual rights were taken away, and she stood, so far as statutes are concerned, upon an absolutely equal plane with him, it would still be true that she is so constituted that she will rest upon and look to him for protection; that her physical structure and a proper discharge of her maternal functions—having in view not merely her own health but the well-being of the race—justify legislation to protect her from the greed as well as the passion of man. The limitations which this statute places upon her contractual powers, upon her right to agree with her employer as to the time she shall labor, are not imposed solely for her benefit, but also largely for the benefit of all. Many words can not make this plainer. The two sexes differ in structure of body, in the functions to be performed by each, in the amount of physical strength, in the capacity for long-continued labor, praticularly when done standing, the influence of vigorous health upon the future well-being of the race, the self-reliance which enables one to assert full rights, and in the capacity to maintain the struggle for subsistence. This difference justifies a difference in legislation and upholds that which is designed to compensate for some of the burdens which rest upon her."

Visiting. The papers give it out that there is a man in Warsaw, Indiana, who has spent 18,993 consecutive nights at home. He observed his fifty second birthday recently and had never been from home over night in all his life.

Our thought is that this man, instead of having dominion over his home, is held in bondage by it. And God intended that man's soul should be larger than the four walls that encase his body by day and night.

There is virtue in visitation. The man and the woman who stay at home forever never know the real meaning of the word home. They never know its sweetness and restfulness in comparison with the concern and care which weigh upon one in other homes. He knows not the joy of home coming and the delight of familiarity that fills one's heart after being from home.

And then more than this. He learns of other homes that give him ideas for his own life, home and happiness. It enables him, on the return home, to say what he thinks, instead of having forever to think of what he says.

Take your wife, now and then, and go for a visit for a day or over night. It will help to fill you with kindly thought of others and give a zest and zeal to the otherwise monotony and humdrum of daily care and toil.

Seventy miles an hour for a journey of 300 miles is the new world's record for automobiles. An Italian car made the record at Ormond, Fla., recently.

Mr. John D. Rockefeller says he has always been a total abstainer from strong drink and thinks this of prohibition: "It uplifts the people, strengthens them, teaches them to save. It is best."

The "night riders" of Kentucky raided a section of country in Woodford and Scott counties March 14th and burned several tobacco barns. The men were mounted and masked and made good their escape.

Secretary William Taft was talking sense recently when he said "The greatest friend the Southern negro is likely to have is the broad-minded Southern white man who sympathizes with the colored man and knows his value to the South."

The following figures will show us how some of our money is spent. The yearly liquor bill of this country amounts to $1,250,000,000; we pay $780,000,000 for tobacco; $217,500,000 is what our army and navy costs us; and on missions, the salvation of the world, we spend a little less than nine million dollars. There are sermons in these figures.

An Atlanta, Ga., dispatch gave the following early in January:

"The first days of enforced prohibition in this busy Southern metropolis (Atlanta) of over 169,000 people read stranger than any fiction.

"Here is the record of a single day, the third, under prohibition— Friday, January 3, 1908, as compared with the same day last year, 1907, under high license, showing the cases reported in police court Saturday morning, on January 4, 1908, and Friday morning, January 4, 1907:

Comparison of Cases.

High License.	
Cases tried Jan. 4, 1907	63
For drunkenness, Jan. 4, 1907	32
Prohibition.	
Cases tried Jan. 4, 1908	17
For drunkenness, Jan. 4, 1908	0

OUR THEOLOGY SOUND.

We may infer from reading Dr. Carlyle Summerbell's letter in The Christian Sun of February 26, that he thinks the Christian church very loose in government, and religious views, and that all classes of believers can find a lodging place in the Christian Church. I do not know that I can agree with Dr. Summerbell so far as the South is concerned. We have never been quite so liberal as that. We have brought down the doctrine of the Trinity from the High church of England, and we have never departed from its teachings. We separate from the Methodist Episcopal church, not objecting to its doctrine but to its Episcopal form of government. Therefore we have always been Trinitarians and have administered water baptism in any way the candidate desired. Thus you may see, our church relationship to the Unitarians, Universalist, "Higher Critic." and those who deny the revelation or the Bible, or any part of the same. We do not receive them into our church, for it would produce confusion and division. Union is strength; division weakens the cause of Christ. We have never admitted them or any of these isms that have swept over our country. Our members are admitted to fellowship by answering these three questions. First. Have you sincerely and heartily repented of all your sins? Second. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Savior of the world? Third. Is it your purpose through grace to live a godly life? These questions answered in the affirmative, the candidate is received by a vote of the church. And ministers are received into the conference by answering the necessary questions after a suitable examination, as laid down in our form of government. In our Principles and Form of Government, we have uniformity as prescribed.

If our platform is too narrow for any they can find a church home elsewhere, and we are freed from the division it would produce. Our church would not be benefited by their admission. Our platform is too narrow for the Unitarians, Universalists, Higher Critics, and those of other non-evangelistic persuasion, but we have no quarrel to make with them. We must have system and uniformity in our work..

Elon College has been under the fostering care of the Southern Christian church all the time. Professors have been reared with these principals in their minds. Our curriculum is as high as any denominational college in the state. We are yet in our infancy, being now in our eighteenth year. Our Professors were educated among us and have taken first graduate work at the best universities.

The evangelistic denominations feel free to patronize our college, and most of them do so to some extent. Young men preparing for the ministry from different denominations are received and taught here because our theology is sound; for we do not have higher criticism, Unitarianism, Universalism, Spiritualism and such isms in our college. Our pulpits and pews are free from such isms. We are very careful about the views entertained by our preachers and professors. Not a denominational college in the State turns out any stronger graduates than we do among the young men and the young ladies. Grades are high and moral standing good. Thus, Brother Summerbell, you can see where we stand in the South, not mixed up with all the isms and infidelity imaginable. Generally when a minister becomes lax and doubtful and skeptical in his own faith and theological views, he thinks everybody else is drifting the same way, but we trust such is not the case with our gool brother Summerbell.

J. W. Wellons.

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SOCIAL BETTERMENT AND LABOR REFORM.

By Rev. Carlyle Summerbell D. D.

At the last Quadrennial a standing committee was appointed on Social Betterment and Labor Reform. This action recognized the fact that there is room for improvement in our own country. And the more one studies the subject the greater seems the need of betterment of present conditions. At least, those investigating independendly are of that opinion.

Dr. Charles J. Bushnell, a graduate of Heidelberg University, now conducting a model play ground in Washington, D. C., is authority for the statement in a lecture that "this country spends $6,000,000,000 annually on the criminal, pauper and vicious classes, and the annual increase of wealth is only $5,000,000,000."

From an exhaustive study, Dr. Bushnell makes these startling comparisons: "Why, the $6,000,000,000 that this nation spends every year on its criminal cases equals the amount spent on all churches, public libraries, the Men's Christian Association, the Salvation Army, public hospitals, asylums for the insane, and benevolent institutions. The average factory hand earns $440 a year, while it is estimated that the average criminal costs the public at least $1,200.00 a year."

And furthermore he says, "Disease as a result of vicious habits is on the increase; suicides are increasing six times as fast as the population, and murder three times as fast; insanity is also increasing faster than the population." Do we think that Christianity has finished its work in America? Surely it has not really begun its saving work with the criminal classes. Christians, and the churches are simply bodies of Christians, have been too busy getting rich, and strengthening denominational lines. It is necessary for us to study in the light of the 20th Century the old object lesson of him who came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance. The way the Master treated sinners has to be learned by legislators, magistrates, and all who would be of use in helping the unfortunates. A deviation from the usual way of enforcing laws in Chicago has recently been pointed out in an article on Judge Cleland and Chicago's Four Hundred" by the well known W. E. Barton, D. D. When Judge Cleland took charge of the Maxwell Street Police Station situated in the Ghetto, he had no experience in criminal law, and had never tried a criminal case. He believed in the enforcement of all law, good or bad, but strange to say, he was struck with the unusual idea that a judge of helping folk and having some man act as elder brother" to the man who was down. He called together seventy-five men, lawyers, and business men and they agreed to help him in his scheme. This number has grown to 400, Chicago's 400, who endeavor to act as good Samaritans. Let me quote a few cases given by Dr. Barton.

"A man was brought in drunk last night. He had spent the night in the cell. He stands before the judge barely sober. It is his first arrest. He is married and has five children, the oldest thirteen years of age. He speaks a little English. He gets drunk habitually, and his family is very poor, but he is not boisterous, and would be decent man if he would let liquor alone. The law gives little liberty in such a case. He may be found not guilty and sent home with a lecture, or he may be fined, and since he has no money, he may be sent to Bridewell to work out his fine at 50 cents a day, his wife and family subsisting on charity while he is in jail. That is all that the law provides for such a case. And in a city not far away from Chicago on one morning only a month ago, 167 cases, of which this may be regarded as a fair specimen, were ground out in ninety minutes; a rate of speed, as Judge Cleland remarks, just about equaling that which they dispose of hogs at the stock yards.

Judge Cleland asks' "Where is this man's wife?' She is not here. The man is sent back to his cell for an hour or

two till the officers go out and find his wife. Meantime the court goes on. At length the woman appears accompanied by the oldest child, a girl of thirteen, but looking as if she were eight. She and her mother wear shawls over their heads, and they stand, stolid, beside the husband. An interperter is necessary for a time, but soon the little girl is discovered to speak good English, and the judge's lecture becomes the more impressive when interpeted to the parents by the child. The mother, too, drinks, but not usually to excess. The judge tells them that the easiest thing for him to do is to send the hushusband to the Bridewell and be done with the matter; but that if the man is sorry as he says he is, and will promise faithfully never to touch liquor, to go back to work and take care of his family, he will not punish him. The promise is made very readily, and the man is released on parole. But this is not the end. The court sentences the man to the maximum fine and imprisonment. He then considers that a motion is made to vacate that sentence. He postpones action on this motion for two weeks, and releases the man on his own bond of $200 to appear at that time. In order that he may not lose time from his work, he is to come to a night session of the court, and bring his wife with him. They are then to tell him how matters have gone. If they are going well, he will continue the motion another two weeks, and so on.

If however the man has been drinking, the bond is forfeited. Moreover if any of the officers see him enter a saloon for any purpose, they are charged to arrest him. Positive legal evidences of intoxication are no longer necessary. It is incumbent on him to "make good." The condition of the children became matter of inquiry. This little girl of thirteen has never risen above the second grade in school. She ought to be farther along. She is not in school at all, having been in the parochial school, and now being at home in order that her mother may work out. The judge declares this must stop.

"The man must support his family and send his children to school. He must longer compel his wife to work out and his children stay at nome that he may drink. And he will send some one to the home to keep in touch with matters there, and see that things improve. The parents must seek the moral betterment of their children and the judge is in condition to compel it."

Here is a remarkable conversion of a woman, showing the results of a new science of criminology.

"Ten months ago a woman was arrested in a saloon in a very disreputable situation. She was the mother of seven cridren. To compel her to leave her surroundings and go to work, became a possibility under methods such as this court employs; and as all policemen are bailiffs, the court can keep track of such people on parole. She is now earning $2.50 a day in a milliner's shop, has a neat home and is behaving herself. The judge thinks that better than to have imprisoned her, scattering her children, crushing out what little womanhood was left in her, and turning her out of jail in a few months still worse disgraced."

After all, "Go and sin no more," is proved to be pretty up-to-date and of proved to be pretty well up-to-date. He has saved or earned by this new method for the state over $450,000 and of the thousand put on parole, less than one hundred have fallen up to the time, when Dr. Barton's article was written, for the Independent.

Judge Cleland says, "I know we have poor material, sometimes, for the making of men. But if Burbank can make a degenerate plant into a beautiful flower, our courts ought now and then to be able to make good citizens out of unlovely men or women."

In a government like ours, the officials represent the integrity and intelligence of the people; they are generally no more, and no better than the average. Political paties are groups of people collected together for definite or indefinite purpose. Yet as present conditions exist we stand or fall together. The faults are not with politics, but with the people making politics. And it is time for us to recognize, what Jesus emphasized so may years ago—the solidarity of the race. If we lift ourselves, we must lift the criminals.

Everything depends upon the average voter, and he must be endowed not only with a good heart, but also something under his hat which is more than a cabbage head. To vote, should be as sacred a duty as to preach. A large number of men, North and South, still vote and feel, and think, as if our country were yet in the civil war. We must see the need of letting the past take care of itself, studying it for its lessons for today and give our undivided efforts to the problems of the present. They are large enough to take all the heart, and head, and energy we possess.

The church needs to develop men and women capable of governing this country, if this country is to be more than a heterogeneous mass of people.

His majesty the American citizen must take time to govern, not delegating his power to party bosses or ward politicians, or people who possess zeal without knowledge. It is sometimes said that churches must stay out of politics, and leave political questions to the political arena. It is true that churches should stay out of all little questions, but the big questions of polities are moral questions, and shall the churches not have anything to say in these?

The churches exist for the people, and whatever is of vital benefit to the people is not a subject that can be lightly ignored by the churches. Things are now happening, and an endless contest is being waged between light and darkness. The editor of the Independent says, that "the politicians have had their way, and Judge Cleland is to be removed from the court and is to try cime cases hereafter." Who is alternately responsible for this?

Ah, my friends, if a dweller of another planet could visit us, and look upon some of the races of the men and women of our rich nation, would he not be likely to say, pointing out a typical criminal, "who loosened and let down this brutal jaw? Whose was the hand that slanted back this brow? Whose breath blew out the light within this brain?"

Should we not be compelled to answer, "The master, lords and rulers in our land. In other words, "we the citizens of the United States."

WHOSE BOY IS IN DANGER?

Dr. Cortland Myers, of Brooklyn, relates the following story, as told by a ship's surgeon:

"On our last trip a boy fell overboard from the deck. I didn't know who he was, and the crew hastened out to save him. They brought him on board the ship, took off his outer garments, turned him over a few times and worked his hands and his feet. When they had done all that they knew how to do, I came up to be of assistance, and they said he was dead and beyond help. I turned away, as I said to them, 'I think you have done all you could,' but just then a sudden impulse told me I ought to go over and see what I could do. I went over and looked down into the boy's face and discovered that it was my own boy. Well, you may believe I didn't think the lest thing had been done. I pulled off my coat and bent over that boy; I blew in his nostrils and breathed into his mouth; I turned him over and over, and simply begged God to bring him back to life, and for four long hours I worked, until, just at sunset, I began to see the least flutter of breath that told me he lived. Oh, I will never see another boy drown without taking off my coat in the first instance and going to him and trying to save him as if I knew he were my own boy."—Epworth Herald.

.A DESTRUCTIVE CRITIC OF 2908..

(To the Reader of 1907.

Dear Brother: Although interested in the able writings of the higher critics of 1907, especially in their assumption of having discovered something valuable, as if the "historical method" were new in studying the Bible, I confess I became somewhat drowsy under their monotonous efforts to make the sacred writings seem to abound in misstatements. But I gradually absorbed their genius and spirit, and seemed to become a destructive critic, though calling myself a higher critic.

While in this state of mind, sleepy though I was, I seemed to live rapidly through the centuries, century after century, until I found myself moving among scholars who dated their letters with the numerals, 2, 9, 0, 7.

On seeming to be roused from a semi-consciousness, and supposing that a thousand years had passed from the time I fell asleep under the dreary chanting about the mistakes of the Bible, I seemed to be walking among the fancied alcoves of my library, now increased by the additions of a thousand years, and coming across the following correspondence I give you the letters, believing that it may be interesting to the reader to observe how the reasoning of the future destructive critic (writing in 2907 of our times in the spirit in which the destructive critic of 1907 writes of Bible times) will make the conditions of our generation to appear.

If we of the year 1907 know something of the conclusions of the learned gentleman of 2907 to be false, whose letters I now reveal, or if his modes of reasoning are absurd, or if he lays stress on insufficient data in his logic, or, especially, if he is ludicrously given to denying the statements of eye-witnesses to the facts which we of our time know to be true, these faults must not be attributed to me: for I copy the letters and publish them exactly as I found them a thousand years before they were written.

J. J. Summerbell.)

Dayton, Ohio.

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TWENTY FIRST LETTER.

Kinkade, New Zealand, 15, 5, 2908.

My Dear Grandson: In America, in 1907, many ungodly men were in the habit of selling intoxicating drinks in small shops occupied for that exclusive purpose. Those shops were called "saloons." By the law of the land they were forbidden to do business, if business it can be called, on Sunday, or the sabbath day.

In my last letters I referred to the writings of a great higher critic of 1907, Dr. Ward, who in many points denied the statements of the Bible. Among the fragments which I found in the ruins of the public library of Boston was the following editorial matter, in his periodical, the "Independent," of 1904, Feb. 4th, as follows:

"The advice of the settlement workers in a great city like New York as to the social conditions is likely to be good; and, accordingly, we look with great respect on a report of a committee of the Association of Neighborhood Workers on the question of the Sunday closing of saloons. They have made a careful investigation of a number of neighborhoods, and they find that but a very small proportion of the saloons comply with the provisions of the law closing the saloons on Sunday. They do not dare to close, because it would send their patrons to other saloons on week days as well as Sundays. * * * * * * * Accordingly, as the law is not enforced and apparently cannot be enforced, and the people are taught to disobey the law, they would have the law changed. It is not that they want open saloons, but that they feel the terrible evil of bringing up youth to defy law. This is an argument that we cannot resist. It is better to have no law than to have a law that is wantonly and publicly and generally flouted. These settlement workers, therefore, conclude that in the interest of a wholesome spirit of law observance some form of Sunday opening of saloons should be allowed in New York, and we agree with them. An ideal law that utterly fails of observance ceases to be ideal. It is itself a lesson in crime. Let the law go until the public conscience can be educated to obey it."

Observe, that this most accomplished, "advanced" and "progressive" higher critic of 1907 (1904) against whose personal character no word was spoken, taught, "Let the law go until the public conscience can be educated to obey it!" This would give no law to the child until God supposed the child would obey it. He would suspend the laws of gravitation, fire, flood, and electricity until the child was educated to obey them! How unwise that higher critic must have considered God, to give the ten commandments to the Israelites before they were educated to obey them! Thus the great higher critic of 1907 (1904) placed his emphasis, not where it ought to be, Enforce the law, just as God does, and righteous rulers do; but—sell liquor on Sunday; and then criminals will obey the law. In our day, 2908, we would consider that, the law's obeying the criminals.

Possibly this moral dullness of the critics of 1907 (1904), however, came from the fact that the higher critics then had not the whole Bible at their command, as I showed in my last letter. You will notice that two moral wrongs were taught by this higher critic: (1) to violate the sabbath day; (2) to injure a fellow man, by making it lawful to sell him liquor for a beverage; tending to kill him. Thus this noble higher critic of 1907 (1904) without doubt on account of his age taught legislation of such a kind as to encourage violation of two of the ten commandments. Possibly he had never read them.

Now, if the higher critics of 1904 taught such morals, is it any wonder that the common people were no better? You see the very leaders were advocating laws to accommodate criminals.

The saloon, for which Dr. Ward argued that it be kept open on Sunday, was so evil an institution that even the managers of theatres in the city of Dr. Ward, run their business on Sunday (they claimed) in order to keep young men out of the saloons. And in Ohio I found a scrap of a New York periodical, "Christian Advocate" (1907, Nov. 7th), stating that fact, and that on Sunday, October 27th, "There were twenty eight theaters and some sixteen resorts or concert halls open in this city, besides the one cent shows."

For the managers of the theaters thus to compel the actors to lose their sabbath day, in order to keep young men from frequenting saloons, shows the moral reputation of saloons. And yet the "higher critic" of that age argued for open saloons on Sunday.

I will take one more incident, that you may see an analogous argument from the spiritual point of view; not using the space which would be needed to show you my enormous labor in securing the facts:

In the city of New York an opera called "Parsifal" was presented to the public in the Metropolitan Opera House, which the higher critic of 1907 I have been mentioning enthusiastically praised and defended, and of which he used the following language in the "Independent" dated 1903, Dec. 1st.

"The lessons dramatized in "Parsifal," such as the power of pity, repression of the lusts of the flesh, and purification through suffering, are pre-eminently Christian and could not be represented to the eye and mind except by means of Christian symbolism. It may, as some say, be improper, or, as others say, impossible to put successfully such moral allegories on the stage, but if it is done it must be done in the language of Christianity, for in no other language can such mysteries be adequately presented."

While the higher critic of 1907 was thus defending the production, "Parsifal," some of the benighted people of that age did not agree with him. You may remember my letter in which I proved to you that the people of 1907 worshiped Venus. My opponents, however, contend that the frescoes in the churches picturing the descending dove did not refer to the goddess Venus, but to the Holy Spirit; the token being taken from the sacred event at the baptism of Jesus. So there may be room for dif-

ference of opinion, posssibly, concerning those frescoes. But in the case of "Parsifal," all the writers admit that the "stuffed dove" descending a wire in one of the scenes was intended to represent the Holy Spirit. And this is what one writer, Eleanor Franklin, says of the matter in a periodical called "Leslie's Weekly," dated 1904, January 28th:

"I sat in the Metropolitan Opera House and listened to the performance of "Parsifal" with mingled feelings of wonder and worship, protest and prayer, joy and fear. I saw on all sides of me men and women who think for the unthinking world—yonder a writer of power and wide influence; there an eminent divine, whose mind sways the minds of thousands; another writer and another great minister of God—men of wealth and unlimited influence in the world of business, and women to whom a world of women look for precept and example. Authors and preachers, financiers and queens of the social world—all witnessing, without apparent protest, the absolute proof of Christianity's decadence in this public, this betinseled, and most expensive desecration of its holy symbols; and when the last curtain fell upon the stuffed dove sliding down a wire in a blaze of most uncelestial lime-light, etc."

How the higher critics of 1907, who believe that the Holy Spirit was divine, could thus see it exhibited as a stuffed dove sliding down a wire in a theater, and then praise the play, can only be explained on the theory that they did not have the book of Exodus in their possession, containing the ten commandments given by Moses: for the second commandment forbids such things. It is my "historical" genius which guides me to the conclusion that those people did not have the book of Exodus.

But though the higher critics of 1907 thus ignorantly approved the violation of the second commandment (as well as the fourth and the sixth) they did themselves great honor by denying the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. While the morality they taught was defective, their other theories have won my admiration, except in those things in which they differ from me. There, of course, they are wrong: for it is only my modesty that keeps me from saying that all correct scholars follow my lead.

But if the higher critics of 1907 taught a defective morality, what must have been the conduct of the common people in daily life? The hand shrinks from writing what the fancy logically suggests.

Your affectionate grandfather,
Higher Critic.

The present temperance campaign is a battle of the home against the saloon and the still.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

First Quarter, Lesson XII, March 22, 1908.
Review.

Read John 6:41-51.

Golden Text, In him was life, and the life was the light of men, John 1:4.

The lessons of this quarter cover a period of about three years, beginning A. D. 26 and ending A. D. 29. They were written by John the evangelist who brings out certain truths in regard to our Lord; the foundation of his being; his relation to the Father; and his relation to mankind. The miracles recorded are symbolic in their nature—they seem parables in action.

Lesson I. The Word Made Flesh.

Subject: Our perfect, divine Redeemer and his peculiar qualifications.

Outline: (1) The Redeemer's eternal exhistance with God and as God before he came into this world. 2. His previous works. 3. The nature of his work,—to give life and light. 4. The herald of his coming.

Lesson II, Jesus and John the Baptist.

Subject: Christ can be understood only by the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit.

Outline—1. The mission of John. 2. The baptism of Jesus.

LessonIII, Jesus His First Disciples.

Subject. The Son of God enters upon his work for man.

1. Jesus gains his first two disciples through John the Baptist. 2. How Jesus gained his third disciple—by invitation of another disciple. 3. How Jesus gained his fourth disciple—by direct invitation. 4. How Jesus gained his fifth disciple—through another disciple.

LessonIV, Jesus cleanses the temple.

Subject: God's house to be kept holy.

Outline 1. The abuses of the privildeges granted to worldly-minded people. 2. Jesus demonstrate his authority. 3. His vigor and courage.

Lesson V, Jesus the Savior of the world.

Subject: Love of God to a perishing world.

Outline—1. The grand design contemplated by God . 2. The means by which God executed this glorious design. 3. the divinely appointed mode by which men obtain the benefits of so great a love.

LessonVI, Jesus and the woman of Samaria.

Subject: A lesson on the water of life.

Outline—1. The Weary teacher. 2. The one unlikely scholar. 3. The wise approach. 4. Great obstacles overcome. 5. Lessons concerning the water of life.

Lesson VII, Jesus heals the nobleman's son.

Subject: A living parable of faith, works and salvation.

Outline: 1. A good foundation for faith. 2. The need of faith. 3. Faith using means. 4. Earnestness of faith. 5. Faith rewarded.

Lesson VIII, Jesus at the Pool of Bethesda.

Subject: The Bethesda cure.

Outline: 1. The scene at the pool. 2. The cure. 3. The criticism by the Pharisees.

Lesson IX, Jesus feeds the five thousand.

Subject: The story of the miraculous loaves.

Outline: 1. Seeking solitude and rest. 2. The gathering of the multitudes. 3. What Jesus did. 4. The conference between Jesus and his disciples. 5. The miraculous supply. 6 Gathering up the fragments.

Lesson X, Jesus the Bread of life.

Subject: Only true bread satisfies.

Outline: 1. The astonished multitude. (2) The School of Christ. (3) The kind rebuke.

Lesson XI. Jesus heals a Man born blind. Subject: The light of the world. Outline. (1) A man born blind. (2) A discussion on the mystery of Providence. (3) The blind man restored to sight. (4) Discussions arising from this cure.

Lesson XIII. Temperance Lesson. Subject: Strong drink—its effects. (1) The curses visited upon the drunkard. (3) The evils and sins to which drinking leads.

G. W. T.

THE BURDEN OF OVEREDUCATION.

Discussing the problem of overeducation of the American woman, Margaret E. Sangster, in the Woman's Home Companion for March, asks and answers the question, "What is Education After All?"

"Is it not ascertaining how to make the best of one's powers, how to arrange one's stores, how to exert a sweet, quiet and fragrant influence throughout life, over all whom one meets? If advanced education does this for one, then it is the education one should seek. Our difficulty is that we cannot allow time enough for seed time and harvest. Mothers are in despair if daughters occasionally drop out of school for six months or a year. We are much too apt to insist on putting all our children, irrespective of their natural bent, through the same educational factory. We do not make sufficient allowance for temperament and tendency, and thus it comes to pass that some of us carry burdens, beneath the weight of which we are crushed."

"He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much."

THE CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

At the next session of the Southern Christian Convention to be held at Greensboro, N. C., I shall offer the following resolutions.

1. That the Southern Christian Convention meet quadrennially instead of biennally.

2. That the Southern Christian Convention release its jurisdiction over the C. M. A. and recommended to the various Conferences the organization of such associations within the bounds of each Conference.

For the work done we have entirely too many Conferences conventions, and association meetings. As the S. C. C., is a member of the A. C. C., and as the A. C.C., has entire charge of our Foreign Mission interest and almost entire charge of our Publication interests. A quadriennial session will be sufficient. I believe this would also tend to increase very much the attendance of S. C. C., delegates at the quadriennal sessions of the A. C. C., which is certainly to be desired

As to the second proposition, the Convention call for Missions is now adopted to Convention work and should be perpetnated. Conferences and churches not loyal to this call should be educated as to their duty along this line. The C. M. A., is a great institution, is easily adopted to Conference work, and there should be such an association in every Conference. Each Conference could set aside one day for Home Mission and the C. M. A.

J. E. West.

DISTRICT MEETING.

The District Meeting of the Alabama Conference convenes with Macedonia Christian church March 27-29.

Program is as follows:

Friday evening 7:30, sermon by Rev. J. H. Milam.

Saturday Morning. 9:30. Devotional Exercises by Rev. B. H. Veasey. 9:45, Organization. 10:00, Need of Loyal Church members, Rev. C. W. Carter. 10:15, The Deacon's Responsibility, Revs. J. H. Hughes and J. H. Milam. 10:30, Relation of each church to Conference, Rev. C. M. Dollar. 10:45, Relation of Conference to the Convention, Rev. G. D. Hunt. 11:00 Sermon, Rev. E. M. Carter.

Afternoon. 1:30. How to raise conference appor tionments, J. J. Carter and J. W. Payne. 2:00. Foreign Missions, Revs. E. M. Carter and G. D. Hunt. 2:30. The Bible our Creed, Rev. C. M. Dollar. 3:00. Support of Ministry, Dr. J. M. Welch. 3:30. Miscellaneous.

Saturday Evening. 7:30. Sermon, Rev. J. D. Dollar.

Sunday Morning. 9:30. Why support the Sunday-school?, J. J. Carter and J. W. Payne. 10.00. How to prepare for the revival, Revs. J. H. Milam and A. A. West. 10:30. "Family Altar," General discussion.

G. O. Lankford,
W. E. Pate,
J. C. Knight.
Program Committee.

HOLLAND ITEMS.

Since writing my last letter, little has transpired worthy of publication, or that would interest the readers of the Christian Sun. I forgot, however, to mention, that I had received a very kind, Christian letter, of love and sympathy from my friend and brother, I. W. Norfleet. I can only say it was much enjoyed and appreciated.

The funeral of Miss Etta Ballard took place at the old home near Holland, Friday, the 28th, Feb. She was a most worthy member of Holland Christian church, where she was held in the highest esteem. Her health had not been good for several years. Yet, she had been a patient sufferer, calmly waiting the solemn change. She leaves one sister and several brothers to mourn her sad demise.

Rev. H. H. Butler of Suffolk, administered the solemn obsequies, the funeral taking place at her old childhood home. Her home for several years past had been at Port Norfolk with her married sister, Mrs. Harrell, or since her sister's marriage. Bro. Butler called a few moments in Holland on his way to the funeral, and I had the pleasure of being with him. He seems to have a special gift for funeral services, and he is often called to administer on such occasions, even outside his regular field of work. I am now in a condition or so situated that I can see many of my friends and it is a rare pleasure when circumstances favor such a privilege. I enjoyed the privilege of meeting Bro. Butler, though so situated I could not be at the funeral.

Sunday, March 1st was not our regular preaching day, yet Bro. Newman, our pastor was with us at night and with other interesting services. Bro. Newman gave us a good, edifying sermon, which with the delightful song service held the attention of the audience, and gave us much pleasure.

Mrs. J. E. Vincent, a most excellent and intelligent Christian lady, living near our place, who has been very ill, is now much improved in her condition, to the joy of her many friends, under the treatment of a good physician.

Rev. Mr. Pilcher, who is travelling in the interest of missions, preached at the Baptist church here last Sunday, March 1st. Brethren who attended the services report a strong, impressive gospel sermon. A good congregation attended the services.

Our Baptist brethren here, have the timber on the ground, and are soon to erect a parsonage to locate their pastor. I think they have not yet decided who the pastor will be.

R. H. Holland.

NEWPORT NEWS LETTER.

The first quarterly conference of the church here, for this year, was held last Wednesday evening. It was well attended, the interest was encouraging, and the sweetest Christian spirit prevailed. As is their custom, the Sunday-school, Ladies Aid Society, Executive Board Treasurer and Board of Deacons, all reported showing the work to be in excellent condition. Soon after I returned home deacons J. H. Fenimore and G. C. Wright called and presented us with a nice purse and articles of merchandise on behalf of a number of friends. The surprise was to us complete and was equalled only by our appreciation and their generosity. Such however, is just like the folks of the East End Christian Church.

On the same day I received a nice box from my old friend and brother, W. E. Whitmore of Surry Co., Va. He had killed hogs you see and must have killed a number of very nice ones. "Will" has always been a clever personal friend ever since we first met in my early ministry. Such tokens of appreciation from such friends make us desire to be better and to serve more faithfully.

Our Sunday-school last month ran the average attendance to about ninety, on the strength of which Sup. J. J. Baker called his officers and teachers together Sunday afternoon and planned for enlargement and more efficient work .

Sister Thompson, wife of brother J. S. Thompson, former Supt. of our Sunday-school, has been confined to her room for the past several months but is some improved at this writing. Much prayer has been offered for that dear home that God may be pleased to restore the dear companion.

I was pained to learn of the death of sister Nannie J. C. White of Norfolk, Va., wife of brother M. J. W. White. Sister White was an active and faithful member of my first settled pastorate, and I have seldom, if ever, found a more loyal and faithful worker in the church. Devoted to her family and friends she yet found much time to devote to her

church, and seemed to enjoy so greatly such privileges. But few women of her opportunities are so widely and favorably known as was sister White. There were many beautiful traits of character and Christian graces blended in her life. The world seems poorer now that she is gone but it is vastly richer in Crristian service and sympathy because she lived in it, and the memory and lives of her friends are richer because they knew her. I am told that her death was a most beautiful and triumphant one. Although she knew for several months before the end came that no human skill could restore her yet she was cheerful and sunny to the last. I suppose her pastor will speak of her last days and death in the Sun, but I feel called on to offer this little tribute here.

Little Vera Brittian, ten years old, whom I received into church membership here, and baptized, in Nov. died Tuesday evening of Spotted fever, and another child of the home is expected hourly to die of the same terrible disease, while the third has a case of pneumonia.

We have recently received two very valuable additions to our church membership.

Murdock W. Butler.

Newport News, Va., Mar. 4, 1908.

LOVE.

God is love and we as his children ought to love one another. God is an infinite and eternal Spirit—one that always was and will forever be, and his loving attributes makes him very dear to his children. Since God loves so much, our highest desire ought to be to love him more than any other thing and to worship Him in spirit and in truth.

If any one were to ask me which is the greatest thing in the world? my quick and ready answer would be love. And if it were asked, which is the worst thing? the word hate would be the next best answer. Love is the fulfilling of the law—whether it is material or divine. In its universal sweep and dominion, it is the grandest thing that entertains the human mind, the greatest principle the heart can feel. As is well known there are many kinds of love, and one simply has to hear the term mentioned, then he can and will appropriate where he most desires it, where he can better idealize or best realize it. For it is spontaneous as the air—welcome as the morning light—bright as the sun at noon, and everlasting as God. God so loved that he gave, and he is loving you continuously. He loved you first. It is his nature to love; your nature is to love that which pleases and interests you most. There are different motives which influences your love. The love of sin and vice is fully practical by a large crowd—worldly influences are eagerly sought by many—praise and honor are expected by some—to have an easy time and self gratification are the things which multitudes love, millions are looking for, a happy life here and hereafter. There are a few who love to have men's persons in admiration because of advantage, and when that advantage is gained they turn from them at once. They are policy holders and when it expires they never renew it. To-day you appear to love with allyour heart and there seems to be such an ardent desire for more love —but to-morrow, because conditions change a little, may bring extreme hatred. It is well to read, to think, to speak the thoughts of others, if such thoughts are pure, true and honest, but learn to think of, speak out, and write up your own lovely thoughts as much as possible, and, if well considered, such delightful work will fully compensate you.

The guilty one does not love the law that condemns him because it brings to the bar of justice his transgressions. The law is loved by all honest law keeping people because it protects them and holds out to the world truth and honesty. If you desire to be happy keep the laws, and if you want your sins to find you out transgress them. Then you will soon see where you are and what you are. If you love the law it will help and protect you—but if you disobey it, it will put its iron clasps upon you, and hold you fast with a guilty conscience.

The seal that pure love puts upon the heart is like a circle of gold set with diamonds. It is so beautiful no artist can paint it, it is so great no sculpter can carve it, it is so charming no pen can write it, it is so profound no tongue can express it. Tongue will never tell of the abiding comfort and peace of a soul in its early love, and when inspiring theme rises high, on the swift wings of thought to God, it rolls with love and praise to him because he first loved us.

The laws which have protected our interest, and helped us so much ought to be loved. Some who have broken the laws of nature will be weaklings and invalids the remainder of life. If the laws had been loved by them much trouble and suffering would have been avoided. It is cheering to know that thousands kept the laws because they loved them, they loved God too, the great law giver, and the good results it produces gave noblest health and a life worth living.

I once knew a preacher who did not love the manners of one of his clerical brethren. So great was his dislike that he refused to shake hands with his brother when he met him, would just bow and speak to him in order to keep up appearances, but refused to give the hand of Christian fellowship and friendship. Those who looked on with wonder did not think well of such passing salutations. To say as little about it as possible such a course was very unmanly and unlike the spirit of Christ. When perfect love takes possession of us it will be our great desire to love and serve God with the whole heart. God is love.

"O for such love let rocks and hills their silence break,
Angels, assist the mighty joy—strike all your harps of gold—
But when you raise your higest notes his love is not half told."

J. T. Kitchen.

Windsor, Va.

The Atlanta Constitution that fought prohibition last summer said of it when it went into effect.

"It was transformed Decatur Street which Atlantans saw yesterday afternoon and last night. The exchange was not so apparent in the matter of the number of people who were on the streets, but was found in the fact that it was a sober people, intent on business and legitimate amusement, who walked up and down this busy thoroughfare. Not a single person, white or negro, was seen under the influence of intoxicants."

The brewers and distillers of this country are becoming wonderfully solicitous about the religion and good morals of the people. These men who have fattened on the vitals of our people are now giving advice to the preachers of America about what they should and should not do. We rather think that the faithful preachers of North Carolina can well get along without the strained advice of those men who have spent their lives in destroying where the preachers have tried to build up.

It was published on December 31st that the Northwestern Railroad had gone "dry." Twenty-five thousand employees of that road signed the pledge of total abstinence. The railroad managers had begun to show their preference for the men who did not drink, and their employes voluntarily signed the pledge. The industrial world is coming to see the harm of the liquorbusiness. And what an anomaly to set up licensed saloons and distilleries to tempt and destroy men who are trying to stay sober for the sake of theirjobs and their families! North Carolina prefers mills and factories and railroads to saloons and distilleries.

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IN ANOTHER'S STRENGTH.

From the beginning God made it possible for man to do many wonderful feats in his own name and strength. By energy, application and perseverance man may bring many wonderful things to pass. Yet God reserved to Himself a strength and power that man must know and have in order to the noblest attainment.

There was a time when the children of Israel, God's chosen, must needs go forward. Yet at their feet an impassable sea was rolling which obstructed their advance. No skill of hand or ingenuity of mind could carry them now. Only the hand of an omnipotent God could lead them. The strength of Another must intervene, or they were lost.

Now this incident is no exceptional one in the Bible. The Book teems, from start to finish, with similar incidents and commands to show man's weakness and God's willingness.

The one thing that the man lame, in the porch of Bethesda, for thirty eight years, could not do was to walk. Yet that was the very first thing Jesus commanded him to do, "Arise, take up thy bed, and walk." The one impossible thing for the man was that which Christ commanded.

Jesus commanded his disciples to go into all the world and make disciples of all people. What a seemingly absurd and impossible thing! Here are others of more practical import to us. "Love your enemies," "Do good to them that hate you," "Take no thought for your body what ye shall eat or what ye shall put on," Resist not evil," "Fret not thyself because of evil doers." No man lives who can keep these commands in and of himself. They call for the exercise of a power that no man has. And if any man would keep them he must do so by the help of a Power and the strength of a Might not his own. We never reach the impossible heights save by the exercise of a strength not our own.

The church will never take the world for righteousness and truth by virtue of its own strength. The church must ever wage its warfare, if it hopes to win, in the name and strength of Another.

Man made rules, ethical principles, mind-created creeds, will never take the world for Christ. This is a task impossible which can only be brought to the realm of the possible by the help and strength of Almighty God.

ARGUMENT AND APPETITE.

If the present campaign for temperance were a matter of argument the victory would be easy. Logic and fact and argument are all on the side of temperance and sobriety. The real struggle, however, is not one of argument, but of appetite. The subtlety of the passion for strong drink, and the devious methods of its allurements, are something fearful. So it comes about that not a few good men are opposed, for one alleged cause or another, to prohibition. The tendency, passion, and appetite for that which leads them or others to wreck and ruin still hold dominion in their minds. So, either blinded by ignorance, or prejudiced by passion, they give their voice and influence to the open saloon, the most destructive and deadly foe that civilization has had to fight these hundreds of years.

Men who have the burden of progress and a better day upon them know full well that the real battle is against ignorance, prejudice and passion.

I was reading this recent utterance of the Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, possibly the greatest living British statesman:

"No statistics are needed to show our people that temperance reform lies at the bottom of political, social and moral progress of England. Drink is the curse of the country; it ruins the fortunes, it injures the health, it destroys the lives of one out of every twenty of our population. If I could destroy tomorrow the desire for strong drink in the people of England what changes should we see! We should see our taxes reduced by millions sterling; we would see our jails and workhouses empty; we should see more lives saved in twelve months than are consumed in a century of bitter and savage war."

And every man who reads these words knows they are true, yet many will not sustain them with the ballot. Oh! the subltety and the mystery of the power of passion, prejudice and appetite in this world.

Elon College is indeed favored and honored in having the past week a visit and several addresses from Rev. Frank S. Child, D. D., Fairfield, Conn. We may have heard somewhere a more eloquent and graceful speaker and thinker, but we certainly do not remember to have done so. He is indeed a prince among pulpit and platform thinkers and speakers.

Our thanks are herein expressed to our friends, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Gibson for an invitation to be present at the marriage of their daughter, Alice Marion, to Mr. Oliver Stanly Mills, Rosemont Christian church, Norfolk county Va., Wednesday afternoon of March 25th, 1908. Miss Alice is a most noble and amiable Christian woman and the man is fortunate indeed who has won her heart and hand.

Here is an extract from an Alpine, Texas, dispatch of March 19 of sufficient flavor and proportions to make our friend Dr. W. W. Staley wish he had been born eons of ages ago, and to make the rest of us glad that he was not. Read the dispatch and wonder:

"A mountain of petrified fish has been discovered on the ranch of Joe Irving, 15 miles from here. The fish are perfectly preserved in stone, 5,000 feet above the sea level The deposit covers an area of two square miles."

By an exchange with Rev. W. G. Clements of appointments last Sunday, the writer had the privilege of speaking on Temperance and Prohibition at the Fuquay Springs school house Saturday evening; then of preaching at Wake Chapel at 11:30 Sunday and at Christian Light, in Harnett County at 3:30 p. m. and at Fuquay Springs Baptist church at 8 p. m. There were pleasant and patient congregations at each of the three places of service and the day was most agreeably spent with the kind people and friends there. Pastor Clements is rendering faithful service and we are not surprised that splendid congregations greet him and hear him gladly.

The "Liberty League" is an organization formed and backed by the liquor interests to fight the Anti-Saloon League and, if possible stay the prohibition wave now sweeping over the country. The organization has head quarters in Chicago, and claims to have members in every state in the Union. The liquor dealers are behind the movement and are supplying the money.

SUFFOLK LETTER.

The committees are all preparing their Reports for the Greensboro Convention, and the Greensboro church is preparing to entertain the delegates. The speakers chosen by the committees will prepare their addresses and many of them will be very fine. The delegates are preparing to attend the Convention and visitors will swell the members, so that we may expect a good attendance. Every visitor, who intends to go, should notify Mr. L. M. Clymer, Greensboro, N. C. so that entertainment may be provided.

The Convention will have much business of importance and should take time for some good preaching. Purely devotional services never retard business, but seem to tone the heart for harmonious and successful discussions. "Diligent in business fervent in spirit, serving the Lord," seems to include wisdom enough for any Christian body, and seems to tell us how to live and perform our part in the kingdom. .

The editor of the Sun has been kind enough to call attention to this Convention and I am very anxious to see a full delegation. I did not know the address of all the delegates elect and mailed letters and cards to brethren with request to forward. I have not heard from all; but only one has expressed doubt as to his ability to attend. I hope that every absent delegate will be represented by his alternate, so that we may have no vacancies. With a full attendance we will have a representative convention of piety, intelligence, and influential members. We cannot be ashamed of ourselves, if we can get our chosen men together. What we need is a realizing sense of the magnitude of our cause and the potential importance of our position. Statistics have discouraged us and majorities have frightened us from loyalty to our convictions; but, "there is no restraint to the Lord to save by many or by few." An arithmetical church might be Mohammedon or heathen or anything else. If the largest church is the best, christianity ought to have surrendered to some false faith centuries ago. Many and few are terms foreign to the real question at issue. If we hold principles worthy of our confidence and support, we ought not to be embarrassed because we are not as large, in numbers as some other communions. If I were going into business in a town and were to cast about and unite with the church that I thought would furnish me the largest number of customers, I would expect my conscience to whisper, distinctly in my soul, "My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves." No man can afford to barter his religious convictions for gain, nor to be ashamed of the faith which he holds. I hope I am writing to church members who believe something, who love their church, and who will represent her interests in this convention. Never, in the history of our denomination, was there such an opportunity to win the respect of other denominations and to win converts to our position. Christendom is dissatisfied with old theologies, with dogmatism, with creeds that have run their course. The whole protestant world is feeling around for a position that is tenable, that will represent all, that will unite all against Romanism, and meet the growing needs of an aggressive and enlightened age, and eliminate the statements that nobody now believes—our position is nearest to such a position of anything that has yet been set before the public mind; and there are thousands who stand with us but have not yet identified themselves with our membership.

W. W. Staley.

ELON COLLEGE NOTES.

Faculty, students and citizens of Elon College were delighted this week by a visit from Rev. Frank S. Child, D. D., Fairfield, Conn. Dr. Child has visited Elon College several times and delivered a series of lectures each time to the delight and edification of all who heard him. He has shown himself a strong friend to the college by donations to its library and by strong substantial friendship to the members of the faculty and personal interest in the growth and development of the institution. Dr. Child preached Sunday morning, lectured Sunday evening on his trip to the Mount of Olives and will deliver several lectures during this week on literature and history.

Miss Annie Spencer, assisted by Miss Virgie Cobb Holland gave her first matinee last week and evinced the efficiency of the Department of Expression of the college in the manner and method of her recital.

The following program was rendered last Saturday evening by the Department of Music:

Fantaisie Espagnole, Miss Mabel Yarbrough; Sunny Morning, Miss Helen Yancey; Frolic, Miss Annie Laurie Wicker; Roses, Mr. J. C. Barrett; Valse Venitienne, Misses Pitt and Atkinson; At Twilight, Miss Wilmer Winn; Gavotte, Miss Pearl Wheless; Hunter's Horn, Miss Lillian Aldridge; Firelight Faces, Miss Bronna Clymer; Gallop, Brilliant, Misses Ramsay and Utley; Danse Caprice, Miss Grace Rhodes; Valse Gracieuse, Miss Nellie Chapman; (a) Minstrel's Morning—lay. (b) Hunter's Song. Misses Ramsay and Hobby; Balancelle, Miss Macie Farmer; Shena Van, Miss Martha Winston; Spanish Suite. Misses Holland and Brinkley.

Rev. W. G. Clements, a member of the Board of Trustees and friend of the college was here Sunday to enjoy with us the sermon of Dr. Child and to visit his daughter, Miss Ethel. Bro. Clements had changed appointments with Dr. Atkinson but when he learned that Dr. Child would be with us he was delighted to have him preach. We shall claim a sermon from Bro. Clements at some future date. We are always glad to have him among us.

Prof. R. C. Cox, Principal of Newton Graded school was here visiting his sister and mother and Alma Mater last Sunday. Elon College is always glad to welcome her graduates back, especially when they have succeeded as Prof. Cox has done in his chosen profession.

W. C. Wicker.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

We earnestly request our ministers and friends to assist in keeping on the Sun's subscription list as many names as possible from now to April 1, as on that date all in arrears one year or more have to be taken off. Urge your friends to renew.

Col. J. E. West of Suffolk lays before Sun readers in this issue two resolutions to be introduced to at the next session of our Southern Convention which will be considered by members not a little, we fancy. To change the Convention session from a biennial to a quadiennial one would be an innovation in present conventional matters worthy of mature reflection.

Our Burlington church is to entertain the State Sunday School Association April 7, 8, and 9, of this year and the occasion promises to be a most helpful and interesting one. The program now published presents subjects and speakers that will attract. Grant C. Tuller and I. H. Meredith, the well-known music firm of Tullar and Meredith, New York are to have charge of the singing. Among the speakers of national reputation are W. C. Pearce, Chicago, Supt. Teacher Training and Adult Department, of the International Sunday School Association; and Mrs. J. W. Barnes, Supt. of the Elementary Department of the International Sunday School Association; and Dr. Jas. A. B. Scherer of Newberry College, S. C. and others. The people of Burlington, of all churches, will join in the good work of entertaining the Convention which means that hospitality will abound and the body will be royally entertained.

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Elon College, N. C., March 11, 1908.

My Dear Children and Friends:

The warm spring days are bringing life and starting the growth in the vegetable world; and this possibility brings greater activity to we farmers. So if you could visit the Orphanage you would find some plowing, and garden planting, and other preparation going on for the coming crop. We are hoping toenlarge our farming by the help that "Bill" will give us, and are fencing about 3 acres for a garden. It takes quite an amount of vegetables for our family.

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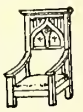

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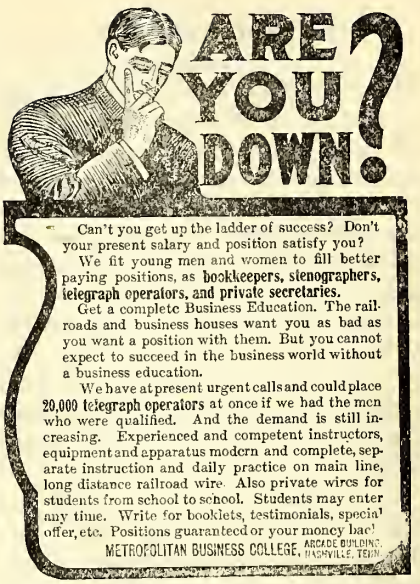
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bers of the Orphanage family. Francis Lee Kissell, of Durham, N. C., 7 years old, came in March 5, 1908.

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Nice letters and Sunday Schools reports this week. Suffolk Sunday-school leads in the amounts given monthly. Bro. Smith Treas. comes regular with his check. We should have said in last week's letter that the liberal offering of wheat and corn by Apples Chappel was ground "tole free" by Bro. Tyler Merritt at the Summers mill. This was quite a gift within itself besides the bushel of wheat he gave—thus the good work goes on.

The following donations have been received since last report:

From Pleasant Hill Christian Church and friends, Alamance Co., N. C.

J. A. Mercherson, 1 bu. wheat; M. F. Hornady, 1 bu. wheat; O. N. Cotner, 1 bu. wheat; W. A. Lamb, ½bu. wheat; Eugene Teague, 1 bu. wheat; D. C. Carter, 1 bu. wheat; L. G. Andrews, ½bu. wheat; A. A. Wicker, 1 bu. wheat; D. Hodgin, ½bu. wheat; W. C. McPherson, 1 bu wheat; Will Carter, 1 bu. wheat; Mary Ann Pike, ½bu. wheat; Ed Isely, 1 bu. wheat; M. J. Mercherson, 1 bu. wheat; Mrs. R. C. Holmes, 1 bu. wheat; Dr. D. H. Albright, 2 bu. wheat; J. A. Fogleman, 1 bu. corn; A. E. Fox, 1 bu. corn; M. F. Hornady, 1 bu. corn; O. N. Cotner, 1 bu. corn; W. F. Way, 1 bu. corn; J. M. Coble, 1 bu. corn; W. G. Teague, 1 bu. corn; Tom Fogleman, 1 bu corn; Artilla Teague, 1 bu. corn; W. M. Fox, 1 bu. corn; S. H Way, 3 bu. cotton seed; Mrs. J. A. Mercherson, 1 willow basket, 1 chicken, peas, beans and garden seed and lard; Y. R. Fogleman, 1 jug of molasses; Mrs. Emma Jones, 1 willow basket; Mrs. L. A. Teague, 5 lbs. sugar; W. H. Fogleman, 1bu. oak basket; Mrs. W. H. Fogleman, 5 lbs. sugar; Hiram Wells, 1 bu. sweet potatoes; J. C. and C. C. Stroud, 10 lbs. sugar;; Mrs. W. A. Way, 2 chickens; J. E. Stroud, 10 lbs sugar; Mrs. J. E. Stroud, 10 lbs. sugar; Mrs. Ettie Teague, lard; D. H. Lashly, meat and butter; P. D. Teague, 21½lb. shoulder of meat and seed corn; Mrs. P. D. Teague, seed beans; Mrs. Angie Isely, 2 chickens; Mrs. J. A. Fogleman, 1 chicken.

That's splendid! Say friends come around and we will have "shortened biscuit." The above list of donations is greatly appreciated by the Orphanage, and all people who eat some thing know how helpful it is to us.

We are under special obligations to Bros. P. D. Teague and M. F. Hornady for bringing this big load 18 miles through the country to us, also Bro. W. H. Fogleman for grinding the corn and wheat "'tole free" at Pattersons and Cobles' Mill. The Supt on invitation of Pastor Wells, visited Pleasant Hill 1st Sunday in March, preached at 11 a. m. and administered the Lord' Supper; and made a talk for the Orphanage, with the liberal response as reported above. We want to visit all these liberal friends again when we can stay longer and not have them feel that we have come after something.

Where is the next pastor and church that desires the Supt? With gratitude to all we are,

Yours for the work,
Uncle Jim.

Sanford, N. C., March 3, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I send my dues for March; hope all the boys at the Orphanage are having a fine time. Love to you all, I close.

Your nephew,
Charlie Way.

Our boys are studying hard, Charlie and beginninge to think about a crop too.

Sanford, N. C., March 3, 1908.

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Cape Fear	12:00	10:29f	6:30f
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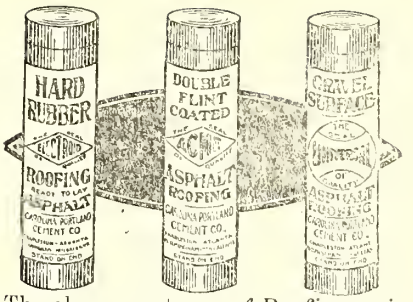

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Annie Pearl Way.

Our spring weather did not last, did it Annie Pearl? I guess 'twas better for our fruit that it has turned cold.

Raleigh, N. C., March 6, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

My brothers, Blannie, Dwight and Numa and sister Noma want to join the band. I was glad to hear about so many of the orphans joining the church.

We enclose fifty cents.

Your loving nieces and nephews,

Blannie Franks,
Bettie Franks,
Dwight Franks,
Noma Franks,
Numa Franks.

You have brought the family, have you not Bettie? We wish more families would join.

Roanoke, Ala., March 1, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

As I was so late in thinking about writing my letter for February, I just waited until March, and will enclose 10 cts. for each month.

Rev. P. S. Sailor took dinner with us last Friday. We were very glad to have him. Father has been sick with Lagrippe for two weeks. I hope he will soon be well, for we have no brothers at home now and I have to help feed the stock when papa is sick.

Uncle Jim don't you think it pretty rough on a little girl to have to go out on a cold morning and feed horses and pigs? Love to all the little cousins and orphans.

Mary Rillie Stephenson.

Well Rillie, when the boys are away, little girls have to do boys work. You are a smart little girl to help papa that way.

Sanford, N. C.

Dear Uncle Jim:

This is my letter and dime for March.

Uncle Jim, mamma is at the hospitle for treatment for appendecitus. I am grandma's baby now. Uncle Jim pray that mama may get well and come home to little Annie Bell again. With love to you and the little children.

Your niece, Annie Bell Way.

We trust dear baby that mama will soon return strong and well. You are fortnuate to have grandma to care for you.

"And she said, I pray you, let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves."

The House and Senate of the Ohio Legislature have adopted a county option prohibition law which, the Anti-Saloon League officers predict will put at least eighty-four of Ohio's eightyeight counties in the "dry" column in a year. The law, unless vetoed by the governor, becomes effective Sept. 1.

The public school superintendents of America met in Washington recently, and fourteen hundred of them attended a reception given them at the White House. In his address to them President Roosevelt said, "I own six of the children that you educate and I am prepared to extend cordial sympathy to some of you."

"The man is the State; his character is the character of the State. Given a nation of saloon-keepers, and the nation is a drunkard. Given a nation of gamblers, and the nation as a whole becomes the embodiment of this passion. Given a nation of libertines and prostitutes, and the nation itself is a mammoth monster of lust The nation is what its people are—regardless of its resources, wealth, its power.

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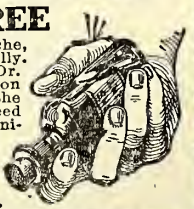

THE "CHURCH SINNER."

There is a wide difference between the man that professes religion and the man that is a christian in reality. The true christian is always watching and praying, striving to do that which is right and well pleasing in the sight of God, and in doing good to all the brotherhood. The man that just professes and does not make good is always trying to injure the cause, finding fault with some brother or sister, trying to make a large thing out of nothing, yet boasting of his religion. The christian is always watching and praying with his heart and mind centered on heaven and heavenly things, everlooking unto Jesus, the only name given whereby we can be saved.

The christian life is a warfare, but our Father has given us a weapon with which we can put the devil to flight by praying fervently to God. The christian has, three different enemies:the devil, the church sinner and the worldly sinner. And to my mind the church sinner is the worst. He is keeping the worldly sinner out of the church. He is a stumbling block to the christians, and offence to Christ. He is always causing a disturbance in the church. We can tell these by their walk just as we can tell the Christian. While the Christian is going his way rejoicing, singing hyms, and spiritual songs, bringing joy to his heart by prayer and thanksgiving, the church sinner is trying to find fault with some brother or sister, and if the least fault can be found you will see them going from house to house, agitating and spreading all kind of evil reports. That is seemingly a large part of the life of the "church sinner," inquiring.

Brethren, let us not be deceived; let us watch and pray; let us not lose our own religion, but prove it by our work. So let our light shine to the world that others seeing our good works may be constrained to follow after us.

Our Pastor

As we were left for several years without a preacher we thank the conference for sending us good brother, Andes. He has gained the confidence of all his acquaintances, both saint and sinner. He must be one called of God to preach Jesus, being endowed with the Holy Spirit and having the love of God shed in his heart.

Brethren, let us pray for the gospel to win its way to the hearts of every sinner, until all are converted and every house becomes a house of prayer and every home be made temple for the indwelling of God's holy spirit. I know my work on earth for Christ is almost finished for I am stricken down with old age, and feeble besides, yet my prayers and songs shall be while here, "Nearer my God to Thee."

Levi McInturff.

Edinburg, Va.

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN READING?

In the March issue of Woman's Home Companion, Dr. Edwards Everett Hale, under the caption above, very aptly reminds us of the importance of systematic reading, and sets forth the ground rules for such a system, in part, as follows:

"Here we are scattered over eight million square miles, more or less, and we are making our plans. Into these plans systematic reading shall come, just as certain as sleep or breakfast or dinner or supper. By systematic reading I mean that besides the newspaper and the magazine and the novel there shall be one hour every day devoted to reading on system. Make it more if you like, though I shall not let you go beyond three hours a day, but one hour at least in a day there must be.

"Thus I take it for granted that you have in your own room, on your own table, your Bible, your Hymn Book, and some one or two other books which will help you in your daily intercourse with the Good God. Each one of you can choose these for yourself.

"You ought to be grounded in a fashion in the history of the town, of the state and of the country. I do not care whether you were born there or not. You must not let any accidental visitor ever ask you what was the origin of things there while you are unable to tell him. Was the place first open to Christian civilization when LaSalle came down the river; or when the Hampshire Grants were quarrelled about; or when Captain Gray, in the Columbia, came to anchor?

"And you ought to know decently well the history of the state, whether that written history be three hundred years old or three months old. Do not let me come into Oklahoma this summer and ask you about the history of the emigration of the Cherokees into the Indian Territory, or the sun worship of the Creeks, and find out that you know no more about it than I do. And side by side with this, and as a basis of this, you must have a decent acquaintance with the history of the United States."

THE MARCH WOMAN'S HOME COMPANION.

The March number of the Woman's Home Companion again captures public notice with its charming cover picture of a Japanese girl—one of the dainties magazine covers that has appeared in years. This issue is the Spring Fashion Number, and for it Grace Margaret Gould, the fashion editor, has prepared many delightful pages, illustrating in detail the advance spring styles.

Dr. Edward Everett Hale contributes a charming talk on "Home Reading." Kellogg Durland, the author or "The Red Reign," has an article of absorbing interest; entitled "Women of the Revolt," containing some heart-rending anecdotes of the part that certain brave women have played in the Russian Revolution.

Dr. Woods Hutchinson writes on "The Mental Growth of Babies," a refreshingly bright article, and Irving Bacheller, Francis Lynde, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps and many others contribute fiction. The usual departments, presided over by Margaret E. Sangster, Fannie Merritt Farmer, Anna Steese Richardson and others, are helpful and attractive. The whole number is beautifully illustrated.

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as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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White.

According to God's decree, Nannie John Cora Harris; the daughter of Deacon John T. Harris and his wife Cornealia was born inSussex Co., Va., June 30, 1863. She was one of the family of six children, four girls and two boys.

In the very prime of young womanhood she caught a vision of God's purpose in woman and she realized that the highest earthly ideal was to be a wife and mother; she accepted as her husband and life companion Mr. M. J. W. White and they were married on Sunday morning, April 11, 1880 Rev. J. P. Barrett who was then her pastor performing the ceremony. When a mere child (at the age of nine years) she realized that "It is not all of life to live" and she confessed Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and joined the church of her choice and since that time through all these years, the world knows, the church knows, her husband and children know, and best of all God knows how she has lived.

Our Heavenly Father sent to the home of Bro. and Sister White to make it bright and happy nine children, seven boys and two girls. She moved with her family to Norfolk, Va. in the year 1889 and she was a charter member of and has been connected with all the workings of the Memorial Temple Christian church from the time of its orginization until the Father called her home.

More than a year ago she realized that a dreadful malady had taken hold upon her and when told by her faithful and honest physician that there was no earthly help, her whole heart was turned to God and the words of Deut. 33:27 was her continual strength; "The Eternal God is our refuge, and underneath is the everlasting arms."

While the last year has been a mighty struggle for life, yet when the messenger came to call her home she was ready.

She left us for the other world, Sun. Feb. 23, 1908, aged 44 years, 7 months and 23 days. And she left to fight life's battles just a little longer, a husband, seven sons, two daughters, five grandchildren, an aged step-mother, three sisters, one brother besides many other friends.

In regards to her life we feel it was all uttered in the words of the colored servant (who has been connected with the family for 17 long years) who kneeling by the bed and fondly carressing Sister White's hands she poured out her heart and said Miss Nannie was good to everybody, sick folks, poor folks, white folks and colored folks."

We can not understand why, but God has taken her home and in the death of this woman the church lost a faithful member, the cause of Temperance a loyal supporter, the husband a true wife, the children a good mother, the world a noble woman. But Thanks be to God sister White has won all.

The funeral services were conducted by her pastor Rev. C. C. Ryan fom the scripture found in Deut. 33:27 and Songs of Solomon 7: 1. Assisted by Rev. R. J. Bateman of the Baptist church. The entire church being filled with sorrowing friends.

C. C. Ryan.

Norfolk, Va.

Pierce.

At his father's, Mr. Stephen Pierce, near Antioch Christian church, Va., Feb. 19th, 1908, Clarence Sammuel Pierce, the only son of his parents, aged 17 years and 4 months and ten days, was sick only a short time and his death was a great shock to his dear parents and his many friends. His sufferings were great, though he bore them all without complaint or even a murmur. When his friends would come in to see him he would tell them he was better. He told his dear mother not to grieve that the Lord would take care of him. While he was dying he sang that old song "Happy Fathers over yonder" and repeated the Lord's prayer. He was a model young man and was never known to say a bad word. He was loving and obedient to his parents, good natured and kind hearted, joyful, the life of his home—greatly beloved by all who knew him. He made a profession of religion when a little boy and united with Antioch Christian church,

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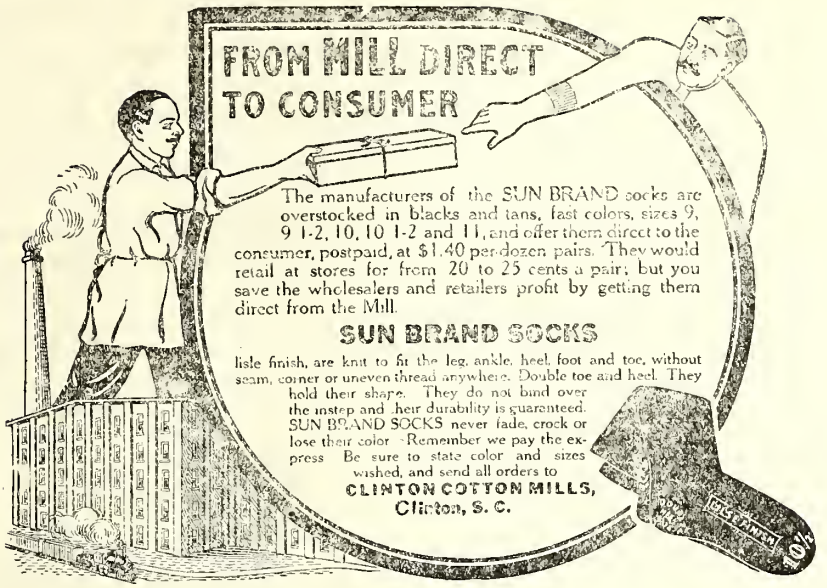
His funeral services were conducted by his pastor, at Antioch Christian church and his remains were laid to rest in the old church cemetery to await the resurrection morn. H. H. B.

Byrd.

Near Cypress Chapel, Nansemond Co., Va., Feb. 23rd, 1908, Dorathy Lee, the sweet little baby of Bro. and sister Jethrow Byrd, aged six months and ten days. Dorathy was a very interesting little baby and it was very hard for the dear parents to give up their little baby but they could weep as those with a bright hope of meeting their darling little one by and by in the eternal home where time will be no more—weep not dear parents, your dear little one is not dead but she is living with Him who said "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Dear friends, you shall meet and know the loved ones gone before, and joyfully sweet will the meeting be, when over the river, the peaceful river, the angel of death shall carry you. The funeral services were conducted by the writer of this at the home of the parents and the remains of the little one was laid to rest in the old family cemetery to wait the coming of Him who loveth little children. The Lord bless and comfort the dear parents, the four sisters, the two brothers and friends, H. H. B.

Eure.

Mrs. Ella V. Eure departed this life at her home near Holland, Va., March 4th, 1908, after a lingering illness of consumption, aged 49 years. The deceased was a member of Middle Swamp Baptist church, Gates Co., N. C. The funeral was conducted by the writer at the home and the remains buried near by. She leaves a husband, Mills D. Eure and five sons, to all whom we extend our sympathy. N. G. Newman.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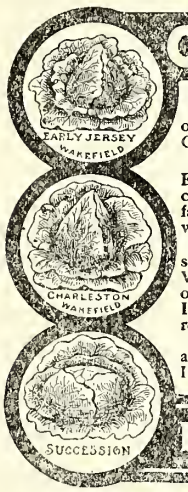

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Sorrell.

Sister Biddie Sorrell relic of the late Mathew Sorrell, passed over the river to meet and remain with her husband who preceded her to that home Dec. 2nd, 1902. A few days before her death a grand daughter preceded her from her home. She was 87 years and nine months old. She joined the church at 13 years of age, a valiant soldier of the cross for 74 years, during which time she grew more and more loyal to her church. It was the pleasure of the writer to spend a night in the home of her devoted son, Charlie Sorrell where sister Sorell made her home. She was very active for a woman of her age. She spent most of her time conversing on religion and her church. I have never seen a more loyal mother to her family and to her church. She did not seem to exercise any partiality. Her life has been one of faithful service to her family, her neighbors, and her church. She was with us in a glorious revival at Catawba Springs. I attributed our success to her devoted prayers, mingled with others of the church who are also very loyal. Sister Sorrell leaves to mourn their loss, six living children, the youngest 43 years old. She was the mother of 8 children two have preceeded her. The names of the children are as follows. J. A. Sorrell, Mrs. Lillie E. Stephens, Mrs. Kiddie H. Rhodes, Mr. H. A. Sorrell, John L. Sorrell, Mrs. Mary Fuquay, W. T. Sorrell, and M. C. Sorrell. The children have lost a devoted mother, the community a good neighbor, the grandchildren a devoted grand mother, and the church has lost a strong member. May the blessings of the good Lord be with to comfort the bereaved ones and her church and may her life ever be cherished and kept in fond memory and be written so indelibly upon the hearts of children, grand children and church members.

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